MINUTES STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES WORK SESSION August 17, 2006

The State Board for Community and Junior Colleges (SBCJC) met at 6:00 p.m. at the Hilton in Jackson, Mississippi, on August 17, 2006.

The following members were present: Mrs. Patricia (Pat) Dickens, Mr. Henry (Bubba) Hudspeth, Mr. Napolean Moore, Mr. Ed Perry, Mr. Henry Thomas and Mrs. Brenda Yonge. Members Absent: *Mr. Chip Crane, Mr. Bruce Martin, Dr. Dorothy Nelson and Mr. George Walker.*

SBCJC staff present: Dr. Wayne Stonecypher, Dr. Randall Bradberry, Dr. Larry Day, Mrs. Deborah Gilbert and Mrs. Denise Walley.

Guest present: Dr. Bill Smith, IHL.

Mr. Napolean Moore called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m.

Dr. Stonecypher reported on a visit from representatives of the *Clean and Safe Energy Coalition* (CASEnergy) who were asking for support from the SBCJC to increase the use of nuclear energy to ensure an environmentally clean, safe, affordable and reliable supply of electricity. Dr. Stonecypher stated that by supporting the coalition the community colleges could be in a position to establish one (1) or more new programs for nuclear power and technology. The Board was given information to review and will be asked to consider joining the coalition at tomorrow's regularly scheduled Board meeting.

Mrs. Deborah Gilbert is an officer on the Executive Board for Community College Business Officers. The organization will have its national meeting in Victoria, Canada this year and Dr. Stonecypher will request out-of-the country travel on Mrs. Gilbert's behalf during the August 18, 2006 meeting. Mrs. Gilbert must also obtain approval from the Mississippi Department of Finance Administration to travel out-of-country.

Dr. Stonecypher reminded the Board that tomorrow's meeting will be held at the Mississippi Library Commission, in their new building at the Education and Research Complex.

Mrs. Deborah Gilbert briefly reviewed the Finance agenda items, as follows:

- 1. Education Enhancement Fund Disbursement for July and August 2006. The amounts for both months are equal, with \$3,162,599 from Fund 4080 and \$50,660 from Fund 4110, with a combined total of \$3,213,259 for each month. See "Finance Attachments 1a and 1b" of the August 18, 2006, meeting minutes.
- 2. Purchasing Approval for the following:

Contract between SBCJC and Copiah-Lincoln Community College for support of Mississippi Electronic Libraries On-Line (MELO) in the amount of \$55,000. See "Finance Attachments 2a" of the August 18, 2006, meeting minutes.

Memorandum of Agreement between the Mississippi Board of Education and the Mississippi Department of Education and the SBCJC relating to Post-Secondary Vocational and Technical Education for July 1, 2006 – June 30, 2009, in the approximate amount of \$30,000,000 with \$125,000 going the the SBCJC for Administrative purposes. See "Finance Attachment 2b" of the August 18, 2006, meeting minutes.

- 3. Financial Statements for Funds 2291 and Special Funds as of July 31, 2006 (FY2006) Lapse Period and Financial Statements for Funds 2291 and Special Funds as of July 31, 2006 (FY2007). See "Finance Attachments 3a 3d" of the August 18, 2006, meeting minutes.
- 4. A Report on Lapse and Carryforward Funds for FY 2006 was given and is included as "Finance Attachment 4" of the August 18, 2006, meeting minutes.

Mrs. Gilbert reported that the fifteen (15) community and junior colleges' FY 2008 (MBR) Budget Requests, as well as, the composite request and the SBCJC request are available to each Board Member that would like a copy. The Joint Legislative Budget Committee hearing date has been set for September 26, 2006, at 3:30 p.m., on the 1st floor of the Woolfolk Building in Jackson, Mississippi.

Dr. Bradberry provided preliminary language for a **bill to create mid-level funding** for Mississippi's public community and junior colleges, shown as "Exhibit E" of the August 18, 2006, meeting minutes. The proposed bill will be brought before the full Board at the August 18, 2006 meeting for approval.

Dr. Bradberry provided **Guidelines for Implementation of Dual Enrollment/Dual Credit**, which were mandated by Senate Bill 2602 that passed during the 2006 Legislative Session. Dr. Bradberry and Dr. Bill Smith with IHL have been working together to establish the template.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

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